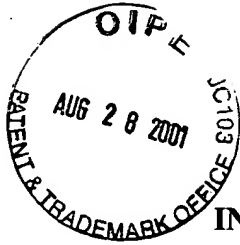


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Please extend the time for response to the Office action dated June 22, 2001, by
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A check for \$ 110.00, comprising the fee of \$ 110.00 specified by
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